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## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1001**

### **A JOINT RESOLUTION**

RECOGNIZING PORTIONS OF CERTAIN STATE ROADWAYS AS THE ROUTE USED BY THE  
HASHKNIFE PONY EXPRESS IN HONOR OF THE HASHKNIFE POSSE'S FIFTIETH ANNUAL RIDE  
FROM HOLBROOK TO SCOTTSDALE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1       Whereas, the Pony Express was established in April of 1860 in an effort  
2 to dramatically shorten the length of time needed to deliver mail from the  
3 eastern United States to settlements in the west; and

4       Whereas, the Pony Express successfully reduced the mail delivery times  
5 from three weeks to ten days; and

6       Whereas, the Pony Express featured 80 riders traversing hundreds of  
7 miles of barren trails at high speeds on horseback; and

8       Whereas, each January for the past 49 years, the Hashknife Pony Express  
9 memorializes the bravery and courage of the Pony Express riders by delivering  
10 over 20,000 pieces of first class mail on horseback from Holbrook to  
11 Scottsdale; and

12       Whereas, each elite rider is officially sworn in as an honorary mail  
13 messenger, braving weather, terrain and modern-day obstacles to deliver  
14 United States mail; and

15       Whereas, the Hashknife Pony Express is the oldest officially sanctioned  
16 Pony Express in the world; and

17       Whereas, January 29, 2008 marked the fiftieth anniversary of the  
18 Hashknife's annual ride.

19 Therefore, be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

20       1. That the following state roadways be recognized as the route used  
21 by the Hashknife Pony Express:

22       (a) State Highway 77, from the intersection of Erie Street and Navajo  
23 Boulevards in Holbrook to its intersection with State Route 377.

24       (b) State Route 377, from its intersection with State Highway 77 to  
25 its intersection with State Route 277.

26       (c) State Route 277, from its intersection with State Route 377 to its  
27 intersection with Mogollon Drive in Overgaard.

28       (d) State Route 260, from its intersection with Mogollon Drive in  
29 Overgaard to its intersection with State Route 87.

30       (e) State Route 87, from its intersection with State Route 260 to its  
31 intersection with McDowell Road, and from its intersection with State Route  
32 260 to the post office in Pine.

33       2. That the Arizona department of transportation, pursuant to section  
34 28-641, Arizona Revised Statutes, work with the Hashknife Pony Express Posse  
35 on the design and placement of signs identifying the historic Hashknife Pony  
36 Express post route.

37       3. That such signage be purchased and maintained by the Posse or other  
38 public or private groups.

39       4. That the Secretary of State transmit copies of this Resolution to  
40 the Director of the Arizona department of transportation, the Chairman of the  
41 state transportation board, the Mayors of the cities of Holbrook and  
42 Scottsdale and the captain of the Hashknife Pony Express Posse.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE APRIL 15, 2008.

PASSED BY THE SENATE MARCH 13, 2008.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 22, 2008.

Passed the House April 15, 2008,

by the following vote: 58 Ayes,

0 Nays, 2 Not Voting

[Signature]  
Speaker of the House

[Signature]  
Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate March 13, 2008,

by the following vote: 28 Ayes,

0 Nays, 2 Not Voting

[Signature]  
President of the Senate

[Signature]  
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

11th day of April, 20 08

at 3:17 o'clock P M.

[Signature]  
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 22 day of

Apr 1, 20 08,

at 10<sup>th</sup> o'clock A. M.

[Signature]  
Governor of Arizona

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this 22 day of April, 20 08,

at 12:55 o'clock P M.  
[Signature]  
Secretary of State